

## NEWS OF THE DAY.

"To show the very age and body of the times."

The two colored candidates for the Military Academy at West Point, Michael Howard and John W. Smith, have been rejected by the Board of Examiners, the first for lack of educational qualification, and the second for physical disability. They have been well received at West Point.

Red Cloud had interviews with Commissioner Parker, Secretary Cox and Senator Morrill on Saturday. He will have a final conference with the President before his return to the Plains, which will be by way of New York. Spotted Tail and his party are already in New York.

The Cuban privateer Hornet, seized last fall at Wilmington by Government authorities, has been restored by order of the President to the original owner, he giving bond that it shall not be used in violation of the neutrality laws.

President Grant and those accompanying him were the guests of Senator Cameron at Lochiel yesterday. They will return to Washington to-day.

The coopers of Philadelphia are on a strike; and several establishments have been burned, and one man arrested for arson.

## Foreign News.

Upon the announcement of the death of Charles Dickens, the Queen sent a letter of condolence to the afflicted family. The last letter written by Dickens was dated June 8. This contained an expression of the deepest reverence for religion. It is intimated that the funeral will be private. Only the usual invitation to the friends of the family has been given. The place of burial has not yet been decided on, or, if so, it has not been announced. In his will Mr. Dickens leaves All the Year Round to his son, with many valuable suggestions about its management.

The telegraph lines are still somewhat damaged, though great improvement is noticed within the past day or two.

Gustave Flourens, the noted French Radical, is still in London.

It is reported that the new West India Telegraph Company have offered £1,000 reward for the detection of the person who fabricated despatches announcing the loss of the Pacific.

Violent election riots occurred on Saturday on the Isle of Wight. Many persons were injured and a building was sacked and its windows broken. At last accounts the authorities had succeeded in restoring order.

The health of John Bright has greatly improved lately.

Thomas Carlyle will soon sail for the United States.

Messrs. Mellivert and Carnot have declined the Masonic honors which were recently tendered them.

The conservative members of Parliament held a private meeting Saturday night, and resolved to support the Government's compulsory educational bill, and oppose the amendment offered by Mr. Harcourt and the National Education League.

Lord Derby is reported to have promised to desert from his opposition to the Irish Land Bill, and to seek only to make such amendments as will render the measure acceptable to the House of Lords.

The French Government renews negotiations with Minister Washburne for a new postal treaty with the United States, and accepts Mr. Creswell's conditions of last year.

The French Corps Legation interpellations on the subject of the St. Gothard Railway will take place on the 20th inst. The work was to be constructed by France, Germany, Switzerland and Italy jointly. The occasion is looked forward to with some interest, as the Ministerial journals have recently asserted that the commercial interests and security of France and Austria will not allow this railway to be in the hands of Prussia, and that France must prevent its construction.

The race for the Prix de Paris took place at Longchamps on Saturday and was attended by a vast multitude of spectators. The Emperor, Empress and Prince Imperial were present, and were received with great enthusiasm. The prize was won easily by the French filly Sorrelle. The English horses were bled during the race. At the ending of the race, a large crowd gathered around the Imperial stand and repeatedly cheered the Emperor and family.

During the past week the sessions of the Spanish Cortes have been for the most part consumed in debating a proposition looking to the abolition of slavery in the Spanish colonies. The bill for opening the colonial ports is well received, and has already been read twice. There is still some excitement over the question of the future ruler of Spain. The Orleanists in the Cortes have been joined by those who recently adhered to Espartero. These now all favor the Duke de Montpensier, with Marshal Serrano as their second choice if the Duke does not accept or cannot be chosen.

It is impossible to say exactly how many lives were lost during the recent conflagration at Constantinople. Some place the number at 300, and others 1,300. These are extremes, and there are estimates made everywhere between them.

The Sultan has been very active in extending relief to the sufferers ever since the calamity occurred. More than one thousand houses of Turks have been thrown open to Christians who were burned out, and large sums of money have been subscribed for them by people irrespective of sect.

It is reported to the Italian Government to-day that another revolutionary movement is about to occur. The authorities are taking necessary measures to suppress disorder.

The Economist reports a correspondence between the Italian and Swiss Governments on the threatened invasion by the adherents of Mazzini. Italy had assumed a milder tone.

Despatches from Vienna state that a descent of Italian revolutionists is threatened from Austrian territory, and the Austrian Government is taking measures to guard against the movement.

Paraguay: the Commissioner of the Brazilian Government had returned to Asuncion, where he had signed a treaty of peace with Paraguay. The revolutionary movement in Entre Rios and Uruguay continued.

MEMORIAL DAY IN WARRENTON.—The annual tribute to the Confederate dead whose dust lies in Warrenton cemetery was paid on Tuesday last.

At the ringing of the bell a large company assembled at the Warren Green and were called to order by Jas. V. Brooke. The Rev. Mr. Richardson invoked the blessing of Heaven and at the conclusion of his prayer, Gen. Wm. H. Payne was announced as the orator of the day. For half an hour he enlivened the attention of all present by the delivery of a most eloquent address.

At the conclusion of the address the audience were marshaled by Mr. John R. Spilman and marched in solemn procession without other accompaniment than the tolling bells to the cemetery, where after another invocation to Deity the crowd dispersed to lay their offering of flowers on the grassy mounds of known and unknown heroes who, were the gray and died for the lost cause.—Warrenton Index.

The New York Standard thinks the reason there are so many mutton heads in existence is, because such a number of children are "perfect little lambs."

## LETTER FROM RICHMOND.

[Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.]  
RICHMOND, June 11.—The Senate to-day ordered to its engrossment the School Bill after variously amending it. The salaries of the county Superintendents, were restricted to \$350. The clause authorizing the Board of Education to appoint the same Superintendent for more than one county, stricken out, \$15 for every 1,000 of population allowed instead of \$20, and other minor changes made. The bill as amended goes to the House.

The following bills, reported from committees, were placed upon the calendar: to charter the Fredericksburg Loan and Land company; for the incorporation of the town of Gordonsville; to authorize the Governor to exchange the arms of the State for Roberts' breech-loading guns, and to incorporate the Lynchburg Banking and Insurance company.

A resolution directing the superintendent of public buildings to examine and report to the General Assembly the condition of the Executive mansion and buildings, and the probable cost of repairing the same, was agreed to.

Bills were passed to provide for the appointment of public curators in the counties and cities of the Commonwealth, prescribing their powers and duties, and amending and re-enacting section 10, of chapter 130 of the code, so as to conform the same to the objects and provisions of this act; to provide for filling the office of superintendent of the poor; to incorporate the Rockingham Mutual Fire Insurance company; making an appropriation of \$1,000 for the removal of the remains of Virginia soldiers from Gettysburg to Hollywood; making an appropriation of \$500 for the removal of the remains of Virginia soldiers from Arlington to Hollywood, and prescribing how and in what cases the estates of convicts and insane persons shall be committed to the public curator.

Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 2, chapter 49 of the code, in relation to the bonds of sheriffs, was ordered to be engrossed, but failed on its passage for want of a constitutional majority, there not being twenty-nine members present.

The bill appropriating \$52.50 for the payment of the funeral expenses of J. W. D. Bland, late Senator from the fourteenth district, was passed with but one dissenting vote, that of Messrs. colored.

A bill was introduced to amend the 95th chapter of the code in reference to the appointment of harbor and dock masters, authorizing their appointment in Richmond, Norfolk and Alexandria.

In the House of Delegates, the Senate bills to authorize the Fredericksburg and Gordonsville railroad company to borrow money, and to incorporate the Jackson Female Institute, were placed on the calendar.

House bills to amend the charter of the academy in the town of Lynchburg Agricultural society; to change the corporate name and amend the charter of the Merchants' and Mechanics' bank of Richmond, Va., were ordered to be engrossed.

House bill to incorporate the Rapidan and Madison county house turnpike company; House bill to incorporate the Virginia and Maryland railroad company; Senate bill to incorporate the Shenandoah iron, lumber, mining and manufacturing company; House bill to incorporate the Northern Neck stock company; House bill to incorporate the Hampshire and Loudoun turnpike company, with Senate amendments, were passed.

The Senate bill relating to pilotage on the Potomac river, was referred.

Two or three leaves of absence in the Senate and about a dozen in the House were granted to-day, and yet a motion fixing a time for adjournment cannot be entertained.

The French Corps Legation has appointed W. Wirt Bird and Leonidas Triplett Notaries Public for Shenandoah county.

It has been decided that under the constitution the Governor is not required to issue commissions to Magistrates.

Warner Taylor, colored, of King George, who was convicted and sentenced to be hung on the 17th, for the murder of young Jett and the burning of a store house, has been granted a respite for 60 days.

Edmund Pendleton, of Hototourt, and Walter H. Taylor, of Norfolk, alumni of the institute, have been appointed upon the Board of Visitors of the Virginia Military Institute in place of W. H. Macfarland and Walter R. Staples resigned. The appointees are both members of the Senate.

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## Notes from Richmond.

[FOR THE ALEXANDRIA GAZETTE.]  
RICHMOND, June 12.—Harvesting south of, and along the James has begun, and the yellow fields give promise of an abundant yield. The rains have not proved as disastrous as anticipated and only here and there is heard complaint. The grass was never more luxuriant, while all graminivorous animals are literally "rolling with fat." The prospect for fruit is good, and this, from present indications, is likely to be a year of plenty.

Maj. Wm. E. Sutherland, of Danville, proposes to entertain his neighbors and friends at a "harvest home," at his "Cloverdale" farm, in Halifax county on Tuesday, and as the major never does things "by halves" the harvest dinner will doubtless be a grand affair.

By the way, it is whispered that many of the friends of Mr. Sutherland speak of him for the gubernatorial chair, and at the proper time, his claims will be strongly urged. He is known to entertain views that recommend him strongly to the Southside interest, and which will exert considerable influence in the selection of a successor to the present incumbent—but as this is a prognostication only, let it pass.

The Governor has not yet indicated his intention in reference to the "Consolidation" bill, and both sides are waiting anxiously to know whether it will be signed or vetoed. The probabilities are in favor of the latter.

The school bill has passed the Senate variously amended. It puts the system into operation at once, and of course carries taxation with it. The salaries of the Superintendents were put at a low figure, \$15 for every 1,000 of population, but in no case to exceed \$350, and counties are not required to raise a proportionate amount to that of the State fund, in order to secure the benefits of the system.

Richmond, Staunton and Wytheville have been selected as the places for holding the terms of the Appellate Court and it is understood that an effort is to be made to have a fourth, in order to have Lynchburg included.

Notwithstanding the Senate resolution to adjourn on the 27th there are indications that the present session will not last much longer than that time, for while there are many who would like to continue here for obvious reasons, yet the business men in both branches have determined to do what they can to procure an adjournment, and as soon as the two or three necessary bills have been passed, the recess, it is thought, will come.

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VIRGINIA NEWS.

Messrs. Henry A. Wise and son, of Richmond, were retained as counsel a few days ago on behalf of the U. S. Government by Attorney General Hoar, to assist in the defence of James Madison, the soldier whose trial for the murder of Wm. L. Boley, a citizen of Campbell county, several months since, began last Thursday in Judge Garland's Court at Lynchburg.

Mr. John S. Wise went up to Lynchburg last week to undertake the conduct of the case.

The Radical contestants of the late Richmond city election appeared in the Hastings court Saturday and moved the court to fix upon a day for the hearing of the case. Judge Guion announced that the Court would hear the case on to-morrow week, Tuesday, the 21st inst.

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VALUABLE MILL PROPERTY FOR SALE.—Will be offered, by public sale, upon the premises, on the 27th day of JUNE, Court day, if not sold privately before that time, the valuable mill property owned by the late Samuel Moore, esq., and known as "MOORE'S MILL," situated at the junction of the two Hawkhill creeks, in Page county, Va., about three quarters of a mile south of Lacey. The mill is comparatively a new one, having been built since the war closed; is in good repair, and is located in the finest wheat growing portion of Page county. There is also a new SAW MILL, in thorough repair, adjoining the mill above mentioned, and FORTY ACRES of first-class bottom land, with a good DWELLING HOUSE, all of which will be sold together. The water power is ample for all seasons of the year, and can be used without building and keeping in repair an expensive dam. As it is a new mill, and the above real estate shall be confirmed by the Court, on account of the interest of the minor heirs of Samuel Moore, deceased, in said property, the sale will be conditional, and will be void without the confirmation of said Court. Possession will be given on and after the 11th of July. If sold publicly, the terms will be made known on the day of sale. Persons wishing to purchase privately or who desire further information in regard to said property, can apply to Dr. H. J. Smoot, at Lacey, Page county, Va., or can address the undersigned, at Mount Jackson, Shenandoah county, Va.

Mrs. AMANDA M. F. MOORE.  
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